

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Shuji Jinno et al. Art Unit :  
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Title : TRICYCLIC FUSED HETEROCYCLE COMPOUNDS, PROCESS FOR  
PREPARING THE SAME AND USE THEREOF

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

**Prior to examination, please amend the application as indicated on the following pages.**